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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **HIROYAMA, Ryouji et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2815**

Serial No.: **09/669,448** ✓

Examiner: **Matthew C. Landau**

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For. **SEMICONDUCTOR LASER DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING  
THE SAME**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 24, 2003

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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2002 for three months from December 12, 2002 to March 12, 2003.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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